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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment to California's 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies and adds exempt projects to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization portion of the State.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
24	State Element (State Highway and Operations Protection Program) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modifies the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) lump-sum Bridge Preservation category (MPO ID SH_PRES) by programming a total of \$68,118,000 for construction, and \$905,000 for right-of-way in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006/07. This is an increase of \$13,466,000 in construction (\$11,921,450 Highway Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement (HBRR) funds, \$1,544,550 State cash), and \$905,000 in right-of-way (\$801,000 HBRR funds, and \$104,000 State cash) for a Humboldt County project.• Modifies the SHOPP lump-sum Minor Air Quality Exempt Grouped projects by programming \$120,000 (\$114,000 Surface Transportation Program funds, and \$6,000 State cash) in FY 2005/06 for tree and debris removal in Humboldt County. This project is also eligible for Emergency Relief funding.• Modifies the SHOPP lump-sum Minor Air Quality Exempt Grouped projects by programming only environmental work for a Mendocino County project. The modification is necessary to secure Federal Highway Administration signature approval of the environmental document which is a pre-requisite to fulfilling the requirement for an approved project report.

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The updated programming is for projects that are located in attainment or unclassified areas, and are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination and/or regional emissions analysis be performed per 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.216 and 23 CFR 771.117(c) and (d). Therefore, no further conformity determination is required. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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